IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

MISC.CIVIL APPLICATION NO. 204 OF 2006

IN

WRIT PETITION NO. 286 OF 2003

THE CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS, PANAJI GOA. ....Applicant

Versus

STATE OF GOA AND 11 ORS., ...Respondents

Mr. S. S. Kantak, Advocate General with Ms. Rakhi Chodankar, Addl. Govt. Advocate for the Applicant.

Mrs. Norma Alvares,Advocate for the Original Petitioners.

Mr. A. N. S. Nadkarni with H. D. Naik, Advocate for Respondent no.6.

Mr. M. S. Sonak, Advocate for the Respondent nos. 9 and 11.

Mr. Valmiki Menezes, Advocate for Respondent no.10.

Ms. G. Pednekar, Advocate fpr Respondent no.12.

Coram:- SMT. RANJANA DESAI &
N. A. BRITTO, JJ.

Date:- 3rd July, 2006

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Heard learned Counsel Mrs. Norma Alvares on behalf of the applicant, Mr. Kantak, Advocate General on behalf of respondent nos. 1 to 5 and 7, Mr. M. S. Sonak, on behalf of respondent nos. 9 and 11 and Mr. V. Menezes, on behalf of respondent no.10.

2. As directed by our Order dated 12.06.2006, respondent no.2 has submitted the Progress Report. As an interim measure, we give following directions:

(a) Forest Department to submit 3-monthly Progress Reports to this Court on the areas that have been demarcated.

(b) Forest Department shall issue notices to all Panchayats, Comunidades and Municipalities informing them the specific survey numbers within their jurisdictions which are indentified by the Sawant/Karapurkar Committee as having forest and directing them to display the notices in their office premises.

(c) In case any person objects to the identification, Forest Department shall send letter to that party with copy to the Deputy Collector and/or Collector that no development on the entire survey number can be allowed till the non-forest area on the said survey number has been identified.

3. So far as respondent nos.9, 10 and 11 are concerned, the learned Advocate General states that in case they approach respondent no.2, respondent no.2 shall furnish to them the required details regarding survey numbers referred to in the present petition within a period of one month, upon such request being made. The learned Advocate General also requests that time to comply with the directions issued by this Court by Order dated 02.07.2003, be extended by two years.

4. In the circumstances of the case, time is extended by 18 months. In view of the above, the present application is disposed of.

SMT. RANJANA DESAI, J.

N. A. BRITTO, J.

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